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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Yuichi KOMACHI, Hideo TASHIRO, Hidetoshi SATO and Katsuo AIZAWA
RAMAN PROBE AND RAMAN SPECTRUM MEASURING APPARATUS
UTILIZING THE SAME
Assignees: **RIKEN and MACHIDA ENDOSCOPE CO., LTD.**
Our Ref. Q80642

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising twelve (12) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and five (5) sheets of drawings. **Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.** Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

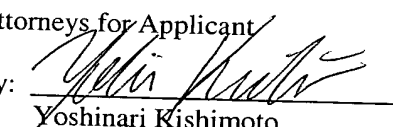
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003/083480	March 25, 2003

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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